

CHAPTER NO. 385

SENATE BILL NO. 1624

By Clabough

Substituted for: House Bill No. 1590

By Rinks

AN ACT To authorize property tax exemptions for Private Act Hospital Authorities organized under Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7, Chapter 57, Part 6.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. In addition to all rights and powers granted to a private act hospital authority under the provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7, Chapter 57, Part 6, beginning with the 2001 tax year, and thereafter, such a private act hospital authority shall be exempt from the payment of any taxes or fees to the state or any subdivisions thereof, or to any officer or employee of the state or any subdivision thereof, except as hereinafter provided. This exemption does not include fees paid by private act hospital authorities as required by Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-216. The property of an authority shall be exempt from all county and municipal taxes; provided, that the authority shall pay all county and municipal fees. An authority may agree to the payment of tax equivalents to the creating or participating governing authority or entity. Effective January 1, 2002, any claim for exemption under this section shall be determined by the state board of equalization, following application in the manner required by Section 67-5-212, and exemptions:

(1) shall be limited to property of the authority which would be exempt if owned and operated by a charitable hospital under Section 67-5-212; and

(2) granted in accordance with the same criteria used by the board of equalization in granting exemptions to property owned and operated by a charitable hospital under §67-5-212.

SECTION 2. This act is not intended to reflect prior legislative intent, one way or the other, regarding the taxation of property of private act hospital authorities. This act shall not affect rights and duties that matured, penalties that were incurred, or proceedings that were begun before its effective date.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 31, 2001


JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE


JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this day of 2001


DON SUNDQUIST, GOVERNOR

Pursuant to Article III, Section 18, of the Constitution of the State of Tennessee, the Governor had Senate Bill No. 1624 in his possession longer than ten (10) days, so therefore the bill becomes law without the Governor's signature.